

before justice of the peace; to Judiciary Com. By Mr. Sherman of Newfane, an act constituting Edward C. Fisher heir-at-law of Geo. and Lorinda Fisher; to General Com. By Mr. Myers of Jamaica, an act in amendment of Sec. 15, of Chap. 116 of C. S.; to Judiciary Com. By Mr. Cushman of Iraburgh, an act for the relief of the heirs of Walter Little; to Com. on Claims. Also, by Mr. Cushman, an act for the repayment of monies advanced toward the reconstruction of the State House, by inhabitants of Montpelier and other towns; to the House refusal of a second reading of this bill. By Mr. Smith of St. Albans, an act authorizing school districts to borrow money; to Com. on Education. By Mr. Myers, an act construing sec. 10 of an act to provide six special regiments for immediate service, &c., so that the \$7 per month pay, shall not be given to any regiment band not in actual service of the United States; to Com. on Military Affairs. By Mr. Skeels of Highgate, to pay Silas O. Reed; to Com. on Claims. By Mr. Denison of Royalton, an act in amendment of Chap. 75 C. S. entitled Grist Mills; to Com. on Agriculture. By Mr. Butler of Bradford, an act in relation to county courts and courts of Chancery in Orange county; referred to a select Com. from Orange county.

**Petitions presented and referred.**—By Mr. Giddings of Waterville, for a bank to be located at Johnson; to Com. on Banks. By Mr. Noyes of Burlington, five petitions for the extension of the Commercial Bank; to Com. on Banks. **Resolution.**—By Mr. Bell of Walden, that the Com. to make up the Grand List be instructed to inquire whether any further legislation is required in relation to abstracts from the grand list, and report by bill or otherwise; adopted. **Joint Resolutions.**—By Mr. Fletcher of Cavendish, that in the judgment of this General Assembly, slavery is the bitter root of our great national calamity; the mother of treason and rebellion, the right arm with which treason is warring against us; and that slavery or the Republic must die.

**Resolved.** That the spirit of liberty and nothing short of it, can supply the popular enthusiasm necessary to grapple with this pro-slavery rebellion; and that the principle of liberty alone can sustain and guide in the great struggle upon which we have entered; on motion ordered to be made the special order for next Tuesday afternoon; also on motion of Mr. Thomas ordered printed.

On motion of Mr. Waite of Braintree, the House reconsidered the vote, refusing the second reading of the bill, to repay monies furnished to assist in rebuilding the State House, and the bill was again taken up and was referred to the Com. on Ways and Means.

**Bill passed.**—House bill amending sec. 4 of Chap. 82 of C. S. relating to constables serving within towns. House bill 104, relating to seamen laying out and discontinuing highways and bridges, came up in order. The question was, shall the bill pass?

Mr. Denison was opposed to the passage of the bill, and believed the laying out of roads &c. should be left in the discretion of court committees; and that the selection should not be brought in conflict with their opinion and reports as they would be by the passage of the bill. Mr. Nichols was also opposed to the bill, and referred to the fact that bitter contests often spring up in towns in reference to laying out roads, which contests would be increased if the power was given to selectmen to change roads laid by committee. Mr. Canfield of Arlington thought the practical difficulties of carrying out the provisions of the bill had been much exaggerated. The bill authorized the selectmen to change the location of a bridge only in case it had been swept away.

Mr. Henry of Chester, was opposed to the bill because it mingled the office of selectmen and committees and there might be no end of conflicting reports, and disagreement. Mr. Lynde of Williamstown thought there were valuable provisions in the bill. He thought the bill would save expense to towns. Mr. Cook of Cabot was unable to see the force of objections raised against the bill. He thought also that the power given to court committees was very arbitrarily exercised, and would much prefer that selectmen should exercise such power as provided for in the bill.

Mr. Denison doubted whether the millennium would come, in consequence of passing this bill, and lessening the authority of Court Committees. He was inclined to think there would be conflicting reports without end, and a very decided increase of expense to towns in consequence. Mr. Skeels of Highgate favored the bill. Mr. Fletcher of Cavendish was of opinion that in a mountainous country like Vermont, some provision like that of the bill was necessary, and favored its passage.

The bill passed with few dissenting voices. Mr. Pingry called up Senate bill 32. The bill provides that officers now appointed by the Sergeant-at-Arms shall be appointed by the House respectively.

Mr. Pingry argued that as the officers were not responsible to the Sergeant at Arms, there was no reason for his appointing them.

Mr. Myers opposed the bill.

Mr. Smith, of St. Albans, thought it would be a ridiculous proceeding for the Assembly to spend time in electing its servants.

Mr. Baker stated that the Com. to whom the bill was referred, had thought such business should not occupy the time of Legislature.

Mr. Beard, of Pittsfield, noticed that the bill provides for an increase of the salaries of these officers, and deemed it not consistent with the present cry for retrenchment.

Mr. Dana of St. Johnsbury said that the passage of the bill would relieve the Sergeant-at-Arms of a great bore; and that if the bill passed, members would be teased by every third man and boy they went, for the votes. The House refused the bill a third reading.

**Bills referred.**—Senate bill 29, an act for the protection of the treasury; to Com. on Ways and Means. Senate bill 46, an act to compel the attendance of witnesses in criminal prosecutions; to Judiciary Com. Senate bill 50, an act in relation to fines and costs; to Judiciary Com. Senate bill 51, an act in relation to recognizances; to Judiciary Com. Senate bill relating to duties of selectmen; to Com. on Military Affairs. Adjourned.

## BY TELEGRAPH TO THE FREEMAN.

7 O'CLOCK, A. M.

KANSAS CITY, Oct. 29. The Santa Fe mail arrived on Saturday. The volunteer force in New Mexico numbers over 3500, 3000 of which are enrolled and expected to be employed in active service.

Their destination is towards Mesilla, where they expect additional reinforcements. The Indians report a large body of troops marching from the West and think it may be the California force so anxiously expected. If so they design on its arrival to attack the force in that region from Texas. Surveyor General Clark arrived safely via Omaha.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 30. It is certain that no one outside of the Naval Expedition knows where the first blow will be struck. It is probable, however, that the first news concerning its operations will come through Southern channels.

Col. Henry L. Scott, one of the Inspectors General, and son-in-law of Gen. Scott, has been retired by the Army Board, owing to his physical disability.

The Navy Department will take no application for places of Masters or Master's Mates, where the ages of the applicants are not stated, and references to their last employments given.

Capt. Henry D. Davison of Tennessee, of the 1st cavalry, having left his regiment July 1st, on 30 days leave and having failed to report for duty, has been dropped from the rolls. It is understood that Gen. McClellan has issued orders for shooting four soldiers found guilty of sleeping at their picket posts.

Some members of the N. Y. 33d Regiment, owing to gross misconduct to-day, got into difficulty with citizens in the neighborhood of Lewisville. Two of the foremost were severely injured. Gen. Hancock sent out a detachment and promptly placed the soldiers under arrest.

Gen. Butler arrived to-day on Military business.

St. Louis, Oct. 30. The Congressional Committee closed its labors last night. It is understood that they made searching investigation into the alleged frauds and irregularities of the Government officers of this Military Department. The result of their examination will be made public in a few days.

A special despatch to the Democrat, from Jefferson city says, Gen. Prentiss who left St. Louis on Sunday last with a force of infantry to surprise and capture the rebels at Fulton, Calloway county, has returned and reports that before he reached Fulton, Gen. Henderson of the State militia had made a compromise with the rebels at Dyer's Mills near Concord, by which it is agreed that the U. S. should make no arrests, provided the rebels laid down their arms and returned home.

Gen. Prentiss acquiesced in the compromise, and on the first violation of it, will visit severe vengeance on the offenders. The rebels were 400 strong and Henderson's 1500. The proposals for a compromise came from the rebels.

KANSAS CITY, Oct. 30. About the 4th inst., the party of New Mexicans under Captain Mink, was surprised at Alamosa, 45 miles below Fort Craig, by 110 Texas rebels, and their horses taken. Captain Mink refused to surrender, but the men deserted, secured their horses, and retreated to Fort Craig.

Subsequently about 200 U. S. troops from the Fort pursued and overtook the rebels, killed their captain and 10 men, and wounding about 30. The balance of the Texans escaped to Mesilla. Another band of rebels were there who had been encamped on Arkansas river, and were being pursued by a company of U. S. Dragoons from Fort Wise of New Mexicans.

Washington, Oct. 30.—The Casey arrived at the Navy Yard to-day bringing dispatches from Captain Craven.

The rebel steamer Geo. Page has gone far up the mouth of the Quantico Creek as it can, but is not half a mile from the Potomac, and apparently aground, and will require high tide to float her.

The rebel batteries were opened on the Maryland shore yesterday, and the firing continued to a late hour last night, but without damage to anybody on our side.

It is believed that no vessels have run the rebel batteries within twenty-four hours.

New York, Oct. 30.

A Havana letter says, Charles J. Helon, late U. S. Consul there, has arrived from St. Thomas with credentials as Consul from the Confederate States.

Philadelphia, Oct. 30.—Ebon Lane, the last of Jeff. Davis' pirates, was acquitted on the ground that being the navigator of the enchantress after her capture, he must have delayed her progress, thus preventing her arrival at a rebel fort, because in sixteen days the vessel made only two hundred and fifty miles. Lane alleges that he sailed the vessel north during the night and south during the day.

Thos. Quiglar, David Mulling and Edward Rockford were convicted of piracy last evening. Schooner Specie, captured off Savannah bound to Havana, has arrived.

Very Latest by Telegraph!

4 O'CLOCK P. M.

New York, Oct. 31. The Herald's Washington dispatch says the President informed certain senators yesterday the responsibility of a forward movement of the army was left with Gen. McClellan and that the Executive will sustain him whatever his determination may be. A boat containing seven rebels with a flag of truce came across the Potomac yesterday morning from Quantico Creek.

Capt. Adams of the Mass. 1st. went down to Bull's Ferry to meet it, but it stopped about 1,000 yards from the shore and anchored. It then took down the flag of truce and left for the Virginia shore. The same afternoon heavy firing was heard at Bull's Ferry from down the Potomac. Soon after the Thos. Freeborn and Philadelphia both came up beside the two batteries at Shipping Point, three others a little to the south-east opened fire, two of which are on the high bluffs entirely concealed by the high trees. The steamers returned the fire for about an hour. Our vessels were not hurt. Our shells were seen to burst in close proximity

to the rebel batteries. Washington is again becoming infested with ignoramus and shriekers of the "On to Richmond" school, but Gen. McClellan will not be forced forward by their clamor until he is ready, as he knows the enemy have concentrated their whole power and staked everything upon the issue.

FORTRESS MONROE, Oct. 30. The destination of the fleet is known at Old Point, and can be safely revealed by Saturday next. One of the tugs returned this morning, the Captain reporting that his vessel could not stand the heavy sea outside of the Cape.

Forty contrabands came in yesterday from Gloucester opposite Yorktown, who report great suffering there from want and sickness. New York, Oct. 31.

The Tribune's Washington despatches state that the rebel pickets at Edward's Ferry acknowledged to our pickets that they killed and wounded captured were placed in the hospital with their own wounded. They also stated that there was now between 30,000 and 40,000 men from Manassas in Leesburgh and vicinity, who were to return, however, as they were not wanted there. They called our troops fools for not marching to Leesburgh Tuesday. The Navy Department recently ordered 500 rifled cannon.

The Times Washington dispatch says that an order has been issued forbidding the sale of liquors to the soldiers at Alexandria. A large number of secession songs and pamphlets have been seized there, and Judge Freeze will not permit the sale there of such documents nor the utterance of secession sentiments.

The Tribune states that its correspondent has good reason to believe that the story of the absconding of Commodore Dupont's private secretary, with the private papers of the Naval Expedition, was put into circulation by an enemy of Dupont and a foe to the Government. It says the report was entirely unfounded.

The World's dispatch says the property of several hundred citizens of Washington who are serving in the rebel army is to be confiscated immediately. It is evident that our outside line of pickets is very loose in the management of their lines, as late dates from the rebel quarters continue to be received through some unknown channel, and the secessionists of Washington are usually posted in the movements of their Southern friends. There are no fortifications in the vicinity of Fairfax village. One or two rebel picket Regiments are at Centerville, but the main body of the rebels are at Manassas.

New York Oct. 31. The Argo brings 1,776 packages of arms and 601 packages, containing equipments and clothing consigned to collector Barney for Quartermaster Gen. Meigs.

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Montpelier, Oct. 21, 1861.

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Notice. WHEREAS, my wife, Susan L., has left my bed and board without any justifiable cause, this is to notify all persons of the fact, and to forbid them harboring or supporting her at my expense. JAMES R. MURRAY. Duxbury Vt., Sept. 18, 1861.

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